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Applicant(s): Fonash et al.  
Serial No.: 09/739,940  
Filed: December 19, 2000  
For: DEPOSITED THIN FILMS AND THEIR USE IN DETECTION,  
ATTACHMENT, AND BIO-MEDICAL APPLICATIONS  
Examiner: My-Chau T. Tran  
Art Unit: 1641  
Docket No.: 823.0052USQ

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM**

We are enclosing an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to extend the time for filing this response until \_\_\_\_\_.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED            |   |       |   |                  |           |          |
|------------------------------|---|-------|---|------------------|-----------|----------|
|                              | Claims<br>Remaining<br>After<br>Amendment |       | Highest<br>Number<br>Previously<br>Paid | Present<br>Extra | Rate      |          |
| Total<br>Claims              | 74  | Minus | 65                                      | 9                | x \$18.00 | \$162.00 |
| Independent<br>Claims        | 3   | Minus | 3                                       | 0                | x \$84.00 | \$0.00   |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE |   |       |   | x \$280.00 = \$  |           |          |
| TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES  |   |       |   | \$162.00         |           |          |

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 162.00.

**XXX** 22 Sheets of Formal Drawings are enclosed.

       A Request for Extension of Time is attached.

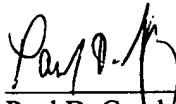
**XXX** A check in the amount of \$ 162.00 is attached.

**XXX** A substitute Declaration for inventor Joseph Cuiffi is enclosed.

**X** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

July 15, 2002

Date



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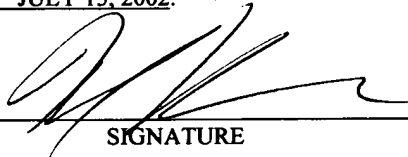
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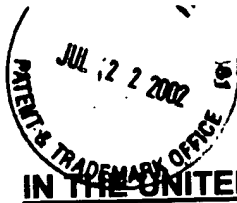
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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed April 15, 2002, which sets a shortened statutory period for reply to expire three months from the mailing date of the communication.

**In the Specification:**

Please delete the first paragraph on page 1 of the specification and in place thereof insert the following paragraph: